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FINANCIAL UNION OF ALLIES TO DISTRIBUTE BURDENS OF WAR IS PROPOSED IN PARIS

Would Be Shouldered on the Basis of Population and Power to Be.

HUNS MADE BIG BLUNDER

Says Mother of Former German Crown Princess; Italian Army Lost 15,000 Officers Killed and 30,000 Wounded During the War, Minister Says

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—The French government is considering the probability of presenting before the chamber of deputies on December 24 a bill proposed by Deputy Jacques Steen, establishing among the Allies an international financial union. The purpose of this union would be to distribute the expenses of the war among the nations on the basis of population and power to be.

The proposition is supported by 100 delegates. It is understood that a similar plan is under consideration by the British, but no definite steps has as yet been taken in London.

GRAND DUCHESS ANASTASIE STANDS AGAINST KAISER

GENEVA, Sunday, Dec. 16.—Germany made a great blunder in saying "he was and should admit that she was in the wrong," declared the Grand Duchess Anastasie of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, mother of the former German Crown Princess, in an interview today. The Grand Duchess, who is a Russian and a cousin of the late Russian Emperor, came to Geneva at the outbreak of the war and now is about to go to the Riviera for her health. She has many relatives fighting against one another on all fronts.

ITALIANS SUFFERED HEAVILY IN OFFICERS

ROME, Saturday, Dec. 15.—During the war the Italian army lost 15,000 officers killed and the minister of war declared to the senate today. More than 30,000 officers were wounded seriously.

SOLDIERS DEMAND CONTROL OF MERCHANT MARINE

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 16.—Control of the merchant marine is demanded by a sailors council formed at Hamburg according to a Berlin dispatch to the Bernische Tidende of that city. The council threatens to sink all the ships if its demand is not complied with. The council insists that the financing be borne by the ship owners.

POI AND SEVERS RELATIONS WITH BERLIN GOVERNMENT

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 16.—Poland has severed relations with Germany according to a telegram received from Berlin on Warsaw.

POPE MAY ASK WILSON TO ACT AS MEDIATOR

ROME, Dec. 16.—(Hayas)—Pope Benedict may request President Wilson to consent to act as mediator in an effort to reach a reciprocal pact which will solve the dissents which has existed between the Quirinal and the Vatican according to the Popolo Romano. This question, the paper states, will in no case be brought before the peace conference.

BROTHER WOUNDED, MRS. E. L. McNUTT HEARS

Mrs. E. L. McNutt has received official word that her brother, Corporal Milton Fulda, member of Company A, 226th Infantry, was severely wounded in action. Corporal Fulda's home is in Baltimore.

HOWARD REPPERT MAY BE HOME CHRISTMAS

Howard Reppert, who recently returned from France, is still at the Walter Reed hospital in Washington, D. C., where he was sent from a hospital at Staten Island. Howard lost an arm and suffered other injuries in battle. He expects to be home for Christmas. The wounded soldier is a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Reppert of Murphy avenue.

"PUD" McCLELLAN IS NOT SERIOUSLY GASSED

In a letter written to his sister on November 17, Lloyd McClellan, better known as "Pud," tells of having been gassed. He says he is getting along well and expected to spend only a few days in the hospital.

PASSALACQUA DISCHARGED FROM STUDENT'S ARMY CORPS

Frank Passalacqua has been honorably discharged from the Student's Army Training Corps at the University of Pittsburgh where he has been in training. He will return to the university in January to take up a course in pharmacy.

JOHN KAUFFMAN WOUNDED

"Degree Undetermined" Says Official Report of Company D Boy. John E. Kauffman, member of Company D, 110th Infantry, was wounded, degree undetermined. In action on September 27.

A telegram was received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Kauffman, of 409 Jefferson street, from the War Department.

VANDERBILT BOY IN ARMY SERVICE IN NORTH RUSSIA

Letter Home Will Be Late For Six Months Because of Arctic Weather

Frank Confirms.

A letter from Private Frank Conti, Company D, 339th Infantry, written in Russia on October 10 tells of conditions in that ice-bound country. Addressing his mother, Mrs. Frank Conti of Vanderbilt, he says:

"I am well and hope these few lines find you the same. Things are looking good around here and I am expecting to be back home in the spring. All I am doing here is guarding; no fighting. If you receive this letter before spring you are lucky for I am in the northern part of Russia about 300 miles from the White Sea and on the bank of a river.

"The river is just beginning to freeze over. Every winter part of the White Sea freezes and no ships will sail in or out until spring. All the railroads are blocked during the revolution in Russia, so this will be my last letter to write for about six months. Don't worry if you don't hear from me sooner. The people say it snows waist deep, so you know what that means.

"Talk of seeing things of the olden days. In Russia everything they have is old fashioned and hand made. Even their spoons are made of wood. Cradles are hung to the ends of a long pole set in the wall and spring up and down. They place straw on the floor to sleep on. In the next room is the barn. The only stock they raise are horses, sheep and cows. They have no stoves on which to cook—only big fireplaces. If at anyone we go on a march we all stop at a village for the night and sleep with the savages. So many in each house. Talk about civilization. I think this part of Russia is the door of the world. All the men wear bears down to their waists. Their hair hangs halfway down their backs. If they were in the States the people would pay a quarter to see one."

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REDDING STAGED AT GREENSBURG HOTEL

When Mrs. E. B. Ritenour Refuses to Leave Home.

When she refused to leave her home and go to Canada with him, it is alleged, Charles N. Painter, formerly a full worker at Scottdale, attempted to kill Mrs. E. B. Ritenour at Uniontown and formerly of this place, with a revolver at Greensburg Saturday afternoon and then turned the weapon on himself. Both are in the Westmoreland hospital at Greensburg, barring complications, both will recover, it is believed.

The shooting took place at the Hotel Elkhart a few minutes after 5 o'clock.

Several days before Painter had been in Uniontown in an effort to induce Mrs. Ritenour to flee with him without success. At that time he is said to have threatened her. He was arrested and the weapon was taken from him. He procured another. It was a brand new .32 calibre one that was found after the affair at Greensburg.

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"If you won't live with me you can't live with Ed. Ritenour," Painter is said to have declared as he drew a revolver, pressed it against her and fired, after having locked the door.

The bullet entered near the shoulder joint and took a course toward the lung, puncturing the outer part of the bone, according to the hospital physicians. Painter shot himself in the forehead but failed to inflict a fatal wound. "I intended to make a better job of it," he is reported to have remarked in the ambulance on the way to the hospital.

Painter formerly was a roller at the Scottdale mills but during the suspension there had been employed in a similar capacity at Hamilton, Can.

Mrs. Ritenour's husband has been with her at the hospital. The fact that she was to meet Painter in an effort to induce him to leave was known to the husband. Painter's ticket had been purchased and his trunk checked to Hamilton. It was sent on its way. The officers are investigating.

May Close Thursday.

The emergency hospital will in all probability be closed on Thursday. Three patients were discharged since Saturday, leaving 11, 10 of whom are getting along nicely, remaining. Walter Rossiter, a soldier, is still in a very critical condition.

Licensed in Uniontown.

Clarence McMillan and Florence Taylor, both of Connellsville; Perry C. Simmons of Monongahela and Lilly D. Allen of Fairchance, were granted licenses to wed in Uniontown,

GENERAL PERSHING AND OFFICERS SALUTING THE COLORS



Gen. John J. Pershing and officers of the First division are here shown saluting the colors as the Sixteenth Infantry passes in review. During the review General Pershing decorated many of the men with the Distinguished Service Cross.

DEBT AGAINST BAPTIST CHURCH CLEARED AWAY

Sum of \$2,000 is Pledged in Few Minutes at Sunday Morning Service.

NOTE BURNING CHRISTMAS

Final Amount \$4,000 But Against This Was a Bequest of \$1,000 and Cash in Treasury to the Same Amount Property is Valued at \$50,000.

In a few minutes yesterday morning the congregation of the First Baptist church wiped out the church debt. Within 10 minutes after the pastor, Rev. Wilbur Nelson, began his remarks introductory to the work in hand the last cent necessary had been pledged.

The debt was \$1,000. Toward this was credited a bequest of \$1,000 in the will of Cyrus Erhard. Cash on hand in the treasury amounted to \$1,000. The pastor asked the congregation to clear off the remainder and in a few minutes it was done. Mostly the pledges were individual and for ordinary sums. The Sunday school contribution of \$35, the Ladies Aid society \$20 and the L. W. class \$100.

The remaining contributions were individual.

On Christmas night there will be the ceremony of burning a note. This will be in connection with the Christmas entertainment by the Sunday school.

When Rev. Nelson assumed the pastorate of the church seven years ago the debt was \$8,000. During 1917 one-half of this amount was paid. The church was erected in 1901. It is now valued at \$50,000.

Priesthood Staged at Greensburg Hotel

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JOSEPH MAY PRISONER.

Message Comes to Local Woman from the War Department.

Mrs. Frances N. May, whose address is Box 244, Connellsville, has received word that her son, Private Joseph A. May, has been ascertained to be a prisoner in a German camp.

The location is unknown. Presumably May has been freed by this time.

Temperature Record.

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Fair tonight and probably Tuesday, not much change in temperature, is the noon weather forecast for Western Pennsylvania.

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Robberies and attacks follow one another rapidly and apartments and shops are robbed in mid-night. Committees of all kinds, he continues, publish contradictory orders and practice black mail.

Prepare Draft Chronology.

Local draft boards for four districts.

No. 2 and 3 are preparing chronologies of the draft to be sent in to Harrisburg.

These reports will cover in full the operations of the draft boards from the time of their organization.

ELEVENTH HOUR PLEDGES

EXPECTED TO BOOST WAR CHEST WELL OVER GOAL

MINUS ARM AT THE SHOULDER, SMITHFIELD BOY GOT OFF "EASY"

Private Clarence Robinson Was Lured Part of His Fur When High Explosive Shell Bursts.

How Private Clarence Robinson of Company D, 15th Machine Gun battalion lost an arm in the service is told in a letter written October 22 to his mother, Mrs. Thomas Robinson of Smithfield, of whose death on November 9 he had not yet learned.

"Our company was in the front line and I was going along with some other men carrying rations when a German high explosive shell burst in our ranks. A piece of shell hit me in the arm so I started back to the first aid station. While I was going back another shell hit my arm. Two pieces of shrapnel went in at my shoulder. One struck me at the elbow and shattered the bone. Another piece cut my index finger. Still another piece cut off a portion of my left ear. I got off pretty easy. They took my left arm off at the shoulder and I am getting along finely now. I may be able to get a prosthesis.

"The shock of the explosion of the shell made me sort of 'numb' for a while. I was singing 'The Stars and Stripes Forever' when they carried me to the ambulance. In a few days I shall go to a base hospital and stay there until I fully recover.

"I was wounded

Sesies

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Order of Railroad Conductors will be held Wednesday afternoon in Odd Fellows' hall.

The West Side Needleworkers will meet Friday night at the home of Mrs. Sherman May in South Connellsville.

The King's Daughters of the Trinity Lutheran church will meet tomorrow night at the home of Mrs. Lydia Percy in East Fairview avenue.

Next Sunday will be known as "dollar day" in the First Baptist Sunday school. An offering, averaging one dollar per member, is desired that the Sunday school may pay in full its pledge of the church debt. Both the morning and evening service on next Sunday will be of a Christmas character. The choir will render special music in the morning and in the evening will furnish a complete program of beautiful Christmas selections.

A pastors' and laymen's conference of the Methodist Episcopal church for the McKeesport district, is being held this afternoon in the First Methodist Episcopal church. Drs. J. J. Hall and Staples, the latter pastor of the South Avenue church, Wilkinsburg, are in charge.

The Young Ladies' Guild of the Trinity Reformed church will meet Friday night at the home of Mrs. Paul Gerke in Washington avenue.

The Ladies' Guild of the Trinity Episcopal church will meet Wednesday evening at 7:45 o'clock at the home of Mrs. T. J. Smith, No. 161 South Ninth street, Greenwood. All members are requested to be present.

A special meeting of the Woman's Benefit association of the Maccabees will be held tonight at the home of Mrs. J. W. Howard in 111 West Apple street to settle up business in connection with the bazaar held last Thursday night for the benefit of the Connellsville Chapter of the American Red Cross.

The weekly dance of the Connellsville Lodge of Elks will be held tomorrow night in the Elks auditorium in East Crawford avenue. The hours are from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. Music will be furnished by Kifer's six piece orchestra. Vocal solo will also be rendered. The dance promises to be the most delightful one of the series.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the chapel. The refreshment committee is composed of Mrs. J. C. Whiteley, Mrs. A. E. Wagner, Mrs. William Wishart, Mrs. Charles Walters, Mrs. J. M. Young and Mrs. Ida Wolfe. The session of the church will meet Wednesday evening in the chapel at the close of the regular prayer services.

The Ladies' Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Protestant church will meet Thursday at 2:30 at the church.

The Christian Culture class of the United Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. C. Stauffer, the teacher. The meeting of the knitting class has been postponed from Tuesday evening to the following Tuesday evening.

Little Annette Dull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dull, entertained 25 friends at a party Saturday afternoon at her parents' home in South Pittsburg street in observance of her seventh anniversary. She received a number of gifts, including a live pup. Christmas decorations were used. The favors were Santas and horns.

The weekly meeting of the Business Women's Christian association will be held Thursday night in Odd Fellows' Temple.

A mothers' meeting has been called by the Women's Christian Temperance Union No. 2 Thursday night at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. O. J. Sliger.

Do Your Christmas Shopping at the Christmas Store



Now is Your Chance to Buy That Christmas Dress You Were Thinking About at One-Third Off.

1/3 Off On Every Dress in Our Store—None Held Back.

One lot of Dresses, all sizes, \$20.00—less one-third—\$13.34.

One lot of Dresses, all sizes, \$25.00—less one-third—\$16.67.

One lot of Dresses, all sizes, \$30.00—less one-third—\$20.00.

One lot of Dresses, all sizes, prices \$35, \$40, \$45 and \$50—**One-Third Off.**

An Extra Special in Coats For Christmas. We have purchased 75 Coats from one of our leading New York houses, the values of which range to \$35. We will offer them Special while they last at

\$19.50



MILLINERY OF CLASS

It is our intention to give the people who patronize our Millinery Department something they can't get elsewhere—so we are making three special lots of Hats to meet everybody's pocketbook for Christmas specials.

Lot 1—Hats, values to \$8.95, Special \$2.95.

Lot 2—Hats, values to \$10.00, Special \$4.85.

Lot 3—Hats, values to \$20.00, Special \$8.95.

Now is Your Chance to Buy That Christmas Suits You Were Thinking About at One-Third Off.

1/3 Off On Every Suit in Our Store—None Held Back.

One lot of Suits, all sizes, \$25.00—less one-third—\$16.67.

One lot of Suits, all sizes, \$27.50—less one-third off—\$18.33.

One lot of Suits, all sizes, \$30.00—less one-third off—\$20.00.

One lot of Suits, all sizes, \$35.00—less one-third off—\$23.34.

One lot of Suits, all sizes, \$40, \$45, \$50, \$55 to \$70—all **One-Third Off.**



A Few Gifts That Can Be Found Here at the Lowest Prices.

Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Underwear, Neck wear, Jewelry, Ivory Goods, Fancy Goods, Silks, Sweaters, Infants' Wear, Leather Goods, Pocket books, Waists, Linens, Muslin Underwear, Millinery, Dresses, Furs, Suits, Coats, Skirts.

Waists Make Beautiful Holiday Gifts.

Some of the best designs in the highly favored Blouses of Georgette and Crepe de Chine will be shown tomorrow.

New examples of hand embroidery worked in Silk Floss and bead trimmings.

They are all exceptional values at \$5.95, but our Special Holiday Sale price while they last is \$4.95.

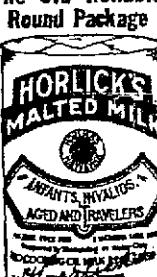


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INFLUENZA Horlick's Malted Milk

Very Nutritious, Digestible

The REAL Food-Drink, instantly prepared. Made by the ORIGINAL Horlick process and from carefully selected materials.

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Ask for **Horlick's The Original**

Thus Avoiding Imitations

GEORGE FUHRER DEAD; FORMERLY IN BUSINESS HERE

Well Known Dunbar Township Man

Died Career in Anthracite Mines; Came Here in 1931.

Following a lingering illness George

Fuhrer, 70 years old, one of the most

widely known residents of Fayette

county, died Saturday night at his

home near Leisenring No. 3. Mr.

Fuhrer had been in poor health for

some time past and was confined to

his bed for the past four months.

Funeral services will be held from

the house Wednesday afternoon at 2

o'clock with interment in Hill Grove

cemetery.

The deceased was born in Schuykill

county, July 17, 1843, the eldest

son of John and Margaret Fuhrer.

He was educated in the public schools

of Schuylkill and Carbon counties at

leisure until the age of 13 years. He

then became a breaker boy in the an-

thracite coal mines, attending school

at night. He later was a mule boy,

driving both inside and out of the

mines and afterwards ran a mine

for a time, which ended his min-

ing career.

Later he was driver of a delivery

wagon and clerked in a Luzerne coun-

ty store after which he formed a

partnership with another young man.

Pooling their savings they had suf-

fered capital to start a small coun-

try store. They prospered in their

business and added a saw mill to their

operation.

In 1881 Mr. Fuhrer came to Fay-

ette county and soon afterwards se-

cured a position as manager of a store

at Leisenring No. 1 for the Connell-

sville Coke & Iron company. He con-

tinued in this business eight years,

then became yard boss at Morgan

station for the H. C. Frick Coke com-

pany. Later he resigned and came

to Connellsville where he began busi-

ness as an insurance solicitor. In a

short time he established his own of-

fice and insurance agency, to which

he added real estate dealing in 1896.

In 1900 he opened offices in the Title

& Trust building, having been the

first tenant to occupy offices in that

edifice. He retired from the insur-

ance and real estate business about

five years ago.

For a number of years he conduct-

ed a small store in the building

where he lived, in connection with his

other business.

Mr. Fuhrer was married October

17, 1870, to Margaret Johnson, daugh-

ter of Thomas and Mary Johnson.

Mrs. Fuhrer's death occurred in

1914. Mr. Fuhrer is survived by the

following children: Mrs. Carrie Pretz-

man, at home; George H. Fuhrer,

Connellsville; Mrs. E. R. Bliss, and

Ralph Fuhrer, Palmer. He is also

survived by the following brothers:

John W. Fuhrer, Connellsville;

**NEWSY NOTES TELL
WHAT'S HAPPENING
IN THE MILL TOWN**

Merger McIlvain is re-elected to Position in Y. M. C. A.

JOHN KROMER ALSO RETURNED

Activities will be resumed this evening; Bert Kunkle, Mill Worker, loses finger; Next Sunday set for contributions for the poor.

(To the public:—Items for the Scottsdale column of the Courier or of interest generally may be left at Rutherford's News Stand, Pittsburgh street. They will receive prompt attention. They must be written and should be carefully prepared, using one side of the paper only, in order to insure correct publication. Especial care should be used with proper names. Do not use the telephone in communicating with this agency. Write it. All communications must be signed.)

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 13.—At a meeting of the directors of the Y. M. C. A. Friday evening Mercer McIlvain was re-elected physical director and John Kromer was re-elected boys' work secretary. Both had left the Y. M. C. A. work here to enter the training school at Springfield, Mass., and but for the signing of the armistice would soon have been ready to take their places with the other Y. M. C. A. men in the service overseas. The repairing and refinishing of the building was referred to the house committee, with W. H. Glasgow as chairman, with power to act. Bowling and billiards will begin this evening with O. M. Jarrett in charge of the social department.

Finger Severed.

Bert Kunkle, employed at the Scottdale plant of the American Sheet & Tin Plate company, had the third finger on his left hand cut off at the mill on Friday. Kunkle was formerly employed at the mill here and with the closing down had gone to Greensburg to work. He was back at the mill just three days when he cut his finger off.

Christmas for Poor.

Announcement was made yesterday in the churches that anything that is to be given the poor of the community for Christmas would have to be soon given them and that next Sunday has been set aside by some of the churches at which time contributions may be brought and turned into the Associated Charities which will exercise the best of judgment in preparing baskets for these people.

"The Good Old Days."

We want to see those women who talk of the "Good Old Days" when they bought fine wearing apparel at low prices. We promise them that in all the years they have been buying they never bought garments at such ridiculously low and unbelievable prices and such quality, too, as offered now in this great holiday sale.

This is the logical store for the practical economical Santa Claus.

Great coat values, prices \$65 down to \$50.

Great dress values, prices \$35 down to \$40.

Great suit values, prices \$50 down to \$30.

Great fur values, prices \$85 down to \$40.

Practical Christmas gifts here at prices that will teach your dollar to have more cents. Bendiner's Broadway Ladies' Store, on Broadway as you get off the car, Scottsdale, Pa.—Adv.

Personal.

Leave your order for turkeys, live or dressed, for present use or for Christmas. William Ritchie, Bell phone 132-J, Scottsdale—Adv.

Leon and Emanuel Morris, students at the Army training school in Pittsburgh, are home for the holiday vacation, discharged from the service.

Mrs. Elizabeth Copely of Wilkinsburg was home over the weekend.

Miss Goldie Maser, a student at the University of Pittsburgh, is spending the holiday vacation at her home here.

Miss Ethel Freitts of Pittsburgh was home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carroll are the parents of a daughter, born at their Spring street home on Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Hauburg are the parents of a son, born at their Garfield avenue home. This is the second member of the family the other is a little girl. Mrs. Hauburg before her marriage was Miss Rose Ryan of Connellsville.

RANKING FOR 1919.

Citizens National Bank Plans for the New Year.

Banking service required by the commercial and manufacturing conditions of 1918 is planned by the Officers and Directors of The Citizens National Bank, 138 Pittsburg street. Business houses are thus offered a banking service free from restrictions, except those made necessary by safe banking limitations. Interested individuals are requested to call at the bank for conference.—Adv.

Hunting Bazines!

Read the advertising columns of The Daily Courier. You will find them.



Don't wait until a cold and the grip have a firm hold. Take Lane's cold grip. Clothes as soon as you feel a cold grip together is dangerous and often spells pneumonia. Keep a package hand for emergency. Results are guaranteed. Sold by druggists everywhere.

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—the Gift desirable!**

When you select Gifts that go into the Home—that add to its permanent beauty and comforts—that make it more livable and enjoyable—then you can be sure that your Gifts are cherished and appreciated.

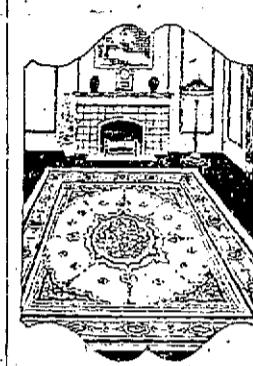


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—your Gift Store!**

And Aaron's is the logical place to make your Gift selections. Because here you have the largest variety of quality Gifts to choose from—at prices that are lower than the ordinary kinds cost elsewhere.

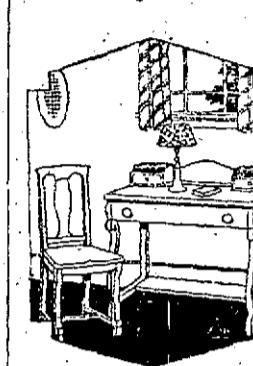
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Nothing Will Please Milady More!



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Here Is a Rocker That Is Really Comfortable!

It is very massively constructed and is upholstered in genuine leather. This Rocker will make an appreciative Gift.

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A Davenport is Always Useful!



We have them in a large variety of patterns and styles—priced now as low as \$45.00

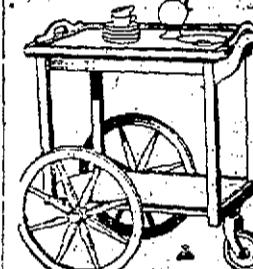
A Practical Gift!



This Fireside Chair at \$29.75

This is a gift that will give permanent service and satisfaction. Has coil spring back and seat construction.

A Tea Wagon is a Very Useful Gift!



Here is a Gift that will be of untold assistance to every housewife when entertaining guests.

We have them in a great variety of patterns, styles and finishes at a wide range of prices.

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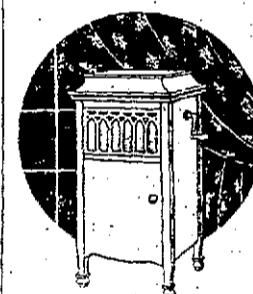
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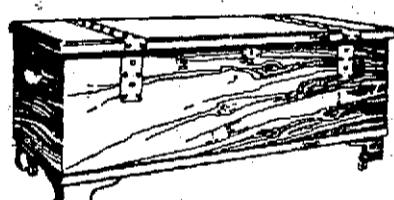
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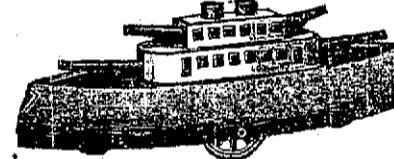
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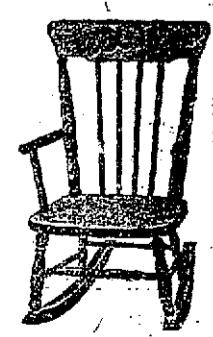


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PRICES AND PROTESTS.

The formal protest of the Central Trades & Labor council against the prevailing price of 18 cents per quart for milk, and the observation of a prominent dairyman that the retail prices of meat are very much out of proportion to the prices paid for beef cattle, reflect a strong public sentiment that is crystallizing against a continuance of the war-time scale of prices for the prime necessities of living.

It is an appeal for relief from some of the burdens imposed upon every class of consumers but which beats heaviest upon those who have been face to face with the hard fact that the hard cost of living has been requiring a constantly increasing portion of earnings or income. The feeling, so much more general and more普遍地 expressed is being given, is not directed against the prevailing prices for ONLY one or two articles which are among the everyday wants of every person, but includes the whole list of staple commodities.

During the progress of the war, when every condition of supply and demand, and increasing costs of production and distribution operated to raise prices to a high level, consumers who understood the situation accepted it as a part of the sacrifice they were obliged to make as necessary to win the war. That was burdensome & not to be denied. Now that the war is over the demand that there be an adjustment downward to a peace basis is already being made and will continue to be made with growing insistence and persistence.

Except among persons who do not weigh and consider circumstances of conditions, it is not expected that there will be an immediate return to a pre-war range of prices. A sudden descent in the scale would be disastrous, most disastrous, perhaps, to those who have the idea that an extremely low level of prices is more desirable than a moderate or fair range, necessitating, as it would, a corresponding reduction in wages as one of the means in bringing about a lower limit of price.

In the judgment of well informed observers, as well as of large employers of labor, a return to the former schedules of wages and salaries is not likely, neither is it desirable. A higher standard of living has been established during the past three or four years and it inevitably follows that, in order to maintain it there must be a higher average income. The cost of living, compared with the period preceding the war, will be greater, just as the average range of prices will be higher. A reduction of living costs is not so much the present necessity as is the restoration of a more equitable ratio between cost and income or earnings. In other words, a dollar of present earnings must be able to pay relatively the same proportion of the costs of living that a dollar of former earnings did. This is not now possible because the advance in prices has reduced the purchasing value of the dollar to less than 50 cents today. A reduction in wages accompanied by a corresponding reduction in prices of necessities would not alter the situation. The purchasing power of the dollar must be restored. This must be accomplished by the reverse of the process by which that power was lost. That is, where there has been an advance or a succession of them there must now be a reduction, such as will re-establish a normal margin of profit and the proper relation between earnings and the cost of living.

Government regulation has not accomplished this. It has merely made the minimum price the minimum at which consumers could buy, while preventing excessive profiteering. The orderly progress of business and industry and the welfare of the people now demand that the natural laws of trade be permitted to gradually bring about an adjustment suited to the needs of peace time. It is to facilitate this adjustment that protests against prevailing prices are being made.

Next to the homecoming of the soldiers no demonstration will be more popular than that now in progress in the city of Detroit. It is a hopeful sign that the soldiers army of high prices will soon be restored to a peaceful status.

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Exit Mr. Tumult and Miss Shouting

By Ellis Parker Butler in "Carry On."

When Henry K. Lunk came marching back to Jefferson Junction, Iowa, during the Civil War, with one arm at the shoulder and the other out at the elbow, the village turned out and held a Henry K. Lunk meeting at Odd Fellows' hall, with free food, free speech and free music by the Jefferson Junction Juvenile band. The mayor told almost 300 citizens and boys that Henry was a hero, an honor to Jefferson Junction and, to put it in the mildest possible terms, the pride of Jefferson Junction, the State of Iowa, the United States of America, and the Universe.

To hear the mayor tell it the stars in their courses would stand still thereafter every time Henry K. Lunk wanted them to, and the sun would come right down to the corner of Main and Cross streets and offer its flame every time Henry wanted to light his pipe. Only he would not have a pipe, Jefferson Junction would keep him in genuine imported Havana cigars the rest of his natural life.

The Civil War was going on just then and every time there was a victory Jefferson Junction howled with joy. Every time there was a defeat in the town yelled with rage. There was nothing in the world as big and important as the war, and there was nothing in the world too good for Henry K. Lunk.

At the big "Hero" Henry meeting in Odd Fellows' hall there was food enough to last Henry six weeks, and he ate until his eyes stuck out. He sat on the platform right beside the mayor, and all eyes were on him.

At the close of the meeting the mayor demanded, as the only possible thing to do, that everybody chip in to create a fund to be given to Henry, and everybody clapped. There was a piano-board shoebox almost half full of money, and when the mayor handed it to Henry he reached out his stump of an arm before he realized he did not have even one hand left with which to take the money, and everybody laughed and cried at the same time, and then cheered Henry K. Lunk.

The mayor said, in closing the meeting, that Jefferson Junction considered Henry a sacred charge and that, come what might, Henry would never feel want while one stone stood upon another in Jefferson Junction.

As Jefferson Junction was built most entirely of wood, with one or two brick buildings, this was a safe assurance.

The only place where one stone ever did stand on another was in front of the hotel, where the village loafers played duck-on-dry.

But it was a grand night for Henry. He had lost his arms but Jefferson Junction told him he did not need any arms. It offered him free food, free clothing and free shelter. It was wild to give him to him. It did not whisper—it yelled it. Mr. Tumult and Miss Shouting made the well-known

feeling and he never knew how deep it is, and how necessary work is to happy life, until he can't work. To give the handicapped man a chance to do work is to give him the only opportunity for real happiness. Then he can look up at the sky every night and say, "I'm doing my work in your world, O God!" That strikes me as being a lot better than looking up at the sky at evening and saying, "I could not do a useful thing today, O Lord! but the first of next month I'll get \$19.64 pension money."

Don't try to think this thing out abstractly. Think of yourself and what you would like best if you lost all of one arm and half of another. You would like to be taught how to be independent by your own labor. You know you would.

The greatest thing in the world today, when this gigantic war has mutilated its thousands upon thousands, is to speed the good work of reconstructing these men. Reconstruction does not mean merely building a new arm that has been wrenched from its old foundations and left shattered, and reconstructing in its place a new life of helpfulness, independence and solid self-respect. When it comes to helping Liberty Bonds Mr. Tumult and Miss Shouting are fine helpers, but when it comes to the returned soldier who can be educated to self-support and usefulness, the nation's libretto should say, "Exit Mr. Tumult and Miss Shouting; enter John J. Commonsense."

Then the war ended and Mr. Tumult and Miss Shouting never came around at all except toward election day, and they did not pay much attention to Henry. He was only one vote. He was only a hattered-up ex-soldier in a faded uniform, and there were many other battered-up soldiers in faded

uniforms, and they were not.

So folks, let us go the limit. Let's win our decoration, too. And bot be ashamed of ourselves.

The time for the purchase of Christmas presents is getting short enough to accommodate the purse of the most frugal buyer.

Must be some oversight on part of the Paris correspondents. The name of George Creel does not appear among "those present" at the big "ooms" in the gay capital.

"Verhoven," Johnstown Democrat.

Sumpituary legislation is just seizing the cables regulating the price of electric power. Sumpituary legislation different from sumpituary legislation in its leading, taking up the "verboten" sign. One "verboten" placard might makes little or no difference if it were really the last of its kind. The changes are quite the other way.

Yet this is only partly true, for though I share the tasks of men and bear the weight of many years at Christmas I'm buying again.

And the other day Charles Evans Hughes asked whether or not we have lost our republic. We have our republic as we are yet. We can consider it lost when our citizens find a "verboten" sign wherever they look.

Our Decoration.

Probable some one of the boys who went over there from this county will be wearing a decoration when he returns. It may be the Croix de Guerre, the Victoria Cross or the Distinguished Service Medal. In any event it will be a special badge of courage and accomplishment. It will stand for the extreme effort possible for one to make in his country's service, and survive.

But what sort of decoration will lie find this country has won? How will this country's performance in its war duties compare with his? Will the bronze tablet of honor for our War Savings Stamp quota be in place of the court house wall attesting our loyalty as a community?

That is largely up to you. Our community effort so far has been all that could be desired. We have met every demand promptly and amply. We have done our bit. But in this War Savings Stamp campaign we are falling down lamentably. Unless we get busy at once we will not make our quota. And none of us want to see that.

We don't want to face the boys when they come back telling that we failed in any degree to express our appreciation of all they have done. We want them to feel that we were for them as they were for us. And unless that

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we'll wipe, and we bring a keg of tripe, and some whiskeys smoking hot. To their famous-frightened land we shall bring the helpful earth with not dog in either hand, and a jar of pickled beans for the world would be pickled if cold-blooded we could view any waiting hungry crew, and deny the chop-house treats. So our duty will be done, though we don't enjoy the chore, and we do not love the taste of beans, but we have to bring them along with the cheese and bread, and we don't care, our dead or the stragglers flowing red or the acres soaked with gore.

**OVER 2,000 WOUNDED,
372 DEAD IN LIST OF
CASUALTIES FOR TODAY**

Private Charles Grinnan of West New-

ton Only One in This Locality

Killed in Action.

The following casualties are reported

by the commanding general of the

American Expeditionary Forces:

Killed in action 155

Died of wounds 51

Died of accident 1

Died of airplane accident 1

Died of disease 154

Wounded severely 1,020

Wounded (degree undetermined) 303

Wounded slightly 723

Missing in action 163

Total 2,571

Included are:

Killed in action—Private Charles V.

Grimm (Mrs. Marie Grimm) West

Newton.

Wounded severely—Lieutenant

Thomas L. Corl (Nevin A. Corl),

Mount Pleasant; Sergeant Joseph

Wazansky (Paul Wazansky); Normal-

ville; Sergeant Daniel S. Robinson

(Harold Robinson), Uniontown; Ser-

geant Charles A. Brown (Walter

Brown), Uniontown; Private Charles

Hopkins (John Hopkins), Wash-

ington; Private Tom Messina (Carmelo

Messina), California; Private Miles

Schuyler (Mrs. Anna Miles), Wash-

ington; Private John A. Curka (John

Curka, Sr.), Monongahela; Private An-

drew Stagner (Mrs. Agnes Stagner),

Moneses; Private Porter Harden

(Martin Harden), Hopwood.

Missing in action—Private John E.

Wolf (Mrs. Elizabeth Wolf), Indiana.

Died of wounds—Private Charles W.

Smith (Robert Smith), Smithfield.

Died of disease—Private Russell R.

Herrington (Mrs. Mary O. DePompe),

Monaca.

Wounded (degree undetermined)—

Captain Henry M. Smith (Mrs. Robert

W. Herbert), Greensburg; Private

Orville Daniels (Charles Daniels), R.

F. D. 2, Bowles; Private John V.

Kammerer (William E. Kammerer),

Eighty-Four; Private Harold R. Toner

(Mrs. Eva Toner), Charleroi.

Wounded slightly—Lieutenant Ral-

phord B. Furman (Andrew A. Furman),

Waynesburg; Private George Paroux

(Mrs. Julia Paroux); Jeannette; Priv-

ate Peter Morrison (Angelo Delno),

Smithton; Private Jagielski (Mrs.

Christine Lanel), R. F. D. 2, Connellsville;

Private Harry P. McCullough

(Mr. Louis McCullough), Belle Vernon;

Private Charles L. Nodetzky (Mrs.

Mary Nodetzky), Donora.

The total number of casualties re-

ported on Sunday was 1,722.

Included were:

Died of disease—Private Wade H.

Hix

ITALIAN CHURCH IS DEDICATED AT MOUNT PLEASANT

Protestant Ministers From
Many Points Attend
the Event.

REV. McELWEE ROSS SPEAKER

Afternoon Service in English, Evening in Italian; Little Son of Member of 11th Supply Company Dies; Father Never Saw Its Face.

Special to The Courier.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Dec. 16.—The new Italian church on Smithfield street was dedicated yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with the following program:

Organ prelude, Miss Filomena Rega; invocation, Rev. J. E. Hartman; anthem, choir of the United Presbyterian church; Scripture lesson, Rev. Dr. E. J. Knox; prayer, Rev. A. W. Barley; offertory, Rev. G. Pratte; address, Rev. McElwee Ross of McKeesport; greetings by the visiting ministers; address in Italian by Rev. S. Fiorino of Jeannette, and Rev. M. Rusetti of East Pittsburgh; dedication, Rev. V. J. Michaelich, Greensburg; prayer of dedication, Rev. R. L. Lehnerman; benediction, Rev. S. Fulmer; organ postlude, Miss Filomena Rega.

In the evening the services were entirely in Italian. Those who took part were Rev. G. Albanese, Scottsdale; Rev. J. Allegri, Wilmerding; Rev. S. Fiorino, Jeannette; Rev. S. Terranova, Lvivlet, Minn.; G. Maietti and Rev. M. Rusetti, East Liberty, and Rev. G. Pratte, Greensburg. The benediction was offered by the pastor of the local church, Rev. S. S. Merlo.

War Baby Dies.

Peter Gowton, a member of the 11th Supply Company, who has seen service with this gallant regiment in France, is demented by disappointment on his arrival home. After Mr. Gowton had gone to Jame Hancock there was borne to him and his wife a son and named Thomas Gowton. The child died Saturday at the home of its mother's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Kaufman, and was buried yesterday. It was a few days over a year old.

Sergeant Mullin Home.

Sergeant Edward Mullin, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mullin, arrived home Friday evening. Edward is the youngest of four sons in the service. The others are Charles E., Jr., Paul E., and William J.

Personal.

Miss Cora Gibson returned to her Uniontown home yesterday after a visit paid friends here.

Rev. T. C. Harper, pastor of the United Brethren church here, is ill at his Walnut street home with influenza.

Among the boys home from the training schools are Hugh Cope, Emmanuel Veitlin, Carl Kuder, Charles Williams, Robert Fox, Harry Ramsey and Stewart Dillon.

Confidence.

Confidence, Dec. 16.—E. B. Brown, who has been ill for several months with rheumatism, is improving and will soon be able to resume work.

Miss Mary Nedrow returned recently from a visit with friends at Somerville.

Robert Miller, who has been at Camp Gordon, Ga., for several months, was here Saturday a little while, enroute to his home in Berlin.

Henry Ringer of McKeesport is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ringer.

Mr. John Weaver and daughter Jean were visitors in Connellsville Saturday.

Miss Elsie Beggs and niece, Sarah Lane Beggs, have returned from a visit to Connellsville.

CONFLUENCE, Dec. 13.—Mrs. John Hawke is visiting friends at Scottdale.

Clarence Brown has returned from a business visit to Pittsburgh.

Orville Oster of the West Side is recovering from a severe seige of influenza.

Mrs. C. M. Cunningham of the West Side was visiting friends in Keweenaw yesterday.

J. E. W. Depoit has returned to his home in Charleston after a visit of several days in Uniontown.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Beggs and Mrs. William Burnworth were visitors at Berlin yesterday.

Miss Mary Nedrow is visiting in Somerville.

Mrs. Sol Turney was a visitor to Somerset yesterday.

Smithfield.

SMITHFIELD, Dec. 13.—Jonathan Moody is laid up at his home here with acute rheumatism.

William Goodwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Goodwin, of Nicholson township, died from the effects of influenza and was interred in the Bap-

RECUPERATION

of the vital forces of the body, depleted in the struggle with acute disease, depends not upon superficial stimulation but upon adequate nourishment. The body needs to be nourished back to strength and power.

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tist cemetery here Wednesday.

Alfred O'Neill of Uniontown was a business visitor Thursday. Emerson and Earl Deffenbaugh of Nicholson township were borough business visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schultz were greatly surprised Thursday morning when Mrs. Schultz's two sisters, Misses E. R. and Sidell Weltman of Chicago dropped in on them for a visit.

Basil Gates, the mighty hunter and deer slayer of Chestnut Ridge, came down Wednesday to lay in a supply of ammunition.

The remains of Luther Dodge, who died at Outcrop Saturday from influenza, is still lying at Vance's mortuary pending some one to bear the funeral expenses.

Dawson.

DAWSON, Dec. 16.—A birthday party was given General Yardmaster John Landymore Friday evening at his home in East Liberty, the guests present being the clerical force and the yardmasters of the P. & L. B. yard at Dickerson Run. The girls gave Mr. Landymore some pretty presents in the way of toys, a miniature engine, toy cow, as well as a corncock pipe and a package of Five Brothers tobacco. He was presented by the office force with a beautiful smoking set. The evening was spent in music and games. A turkey dinner was served with all the delicacies of the season. It was an evening long to be remembered and all had a jolly good time.

Miss Irene Huber of West Newton is spending a few days with relatives.

Mrs. Harry Cochran and daughter, Miss Caroline, have returned home from a few days' visit at the home of Mrs. Cochran's sister, Mrs. Earl Ober, Pittsburgh.

James Meenan was a Johnstown visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Seibert of North Dawson is on the sick list with an attack of the flu.

Miss Katharine Brower has tonsillitis.

Miss Grace Wilhelm has returned to work at the J. F. Black store after being off duty the past few weeks on account of sickness.

Miss Margaret Hickey of Connellsville was calling on friends Saturday.

More Than Skeptical.

"Well, Dick, how's business?" said one traveling salesman meeting another.

"Rotten!" was the answer. "How is it with you?"

"Fine! Simply fine! On my last trip I sold one man a \$3,000 bill and another one \$3,000."

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KEEPING UP WITH ZEEBIE, ETC., ETC.

CONVENTIONAL PUBLICATIONS, HOMESTEAD, PENNSYLVANIA

"You'll have to work hard, Ba...
you'll have to take your back into
the deer as I did. After every row
of corn I learned a rule of syntax or
arithmetic or a fact in geography while
I rested, and my thought and memory
took hold of it as I piled the hay. I
don't want you to stop the reading,
but from now on you must spend half
of every evening on your lessons."

As I was going to bed the Senator
called me to him and said:

"I shall be gone when you are up
in the morning. It may be a long
time before I see you; I still leave
something for you in a sealed envelope
with your name on it. You are
not to open the envelope until you
go away to school. I knew how you
will feel that first day. When night
falls yet will think of your aunt and
uncle and be very lonely. When you
go to your room for the night I want
you to sit down all by yourself and
open the envelope and read what I
shall write. They will be, I think, the
most impressive words you ever read.
You will think them over long, long
time. Ask every wise man you meet
to explain them to you, for all your
happiness will depend upon your un-
derstanding of those few words in the
envelope."

In the morning Aunt Deel put it
in my hand.

"I wonder what in the world he
wrote there—now," said I. "We
must keep it careful—safe—I'll put
it in my trunk and give it to you when
you go to Clinton to school."

"Has Mr. Wright gone?" I asked
rather sadly.

"Ayes! Land of mercy! He went
away long before daylight with a lot
of jaded men in a pack basket—
ayes! The men were driven to the
village to see 'em off—intercepted this
afternoon, ayes!"

It was a Saturday and I spent it
rather sadly.

"My Second Peril,"

One day Mr. Grimshaw came out
in the field to see my uncle. They
walked away to the shade of a tree
while the hired man and I went on
till the hiring. I could hear the
laughing voice of the money-lender
sparkling loud and angry tone and
presently he went away.

"What's the rip?" I asked as
Uncle returned looking very sober.

"We won't talk about it now," he
answered.

The candlestick of the evening
Uncle Peabody said:

"Grimshaw has demanded his mort-
gage money so he wants it in gold
now. Well here to git it some way
I done now."

"We've got all things!" my aunt ex-
claimed. "How are we goin' to git all
that money—these hard times?
ayes! I'd like to know!"

"Well, I can't tell ye," said Uncle
Peabody. "I guess we can't forgive
as far as Reddy Razors."

"What did he say?" I asked.

"Why, he says we hadn't no busi-
ness to hire a man to help us. He
says you an' me ought to do all the
work here. He thinks I ought to too
on our school long aga—

"I can't stay out o' school and keep
on with my lessons," I said.

"Not an' please him. He was mad
when he see ye with a book to get
hand out there in the cornfield."

What were we to do now? I spent
the first sad night of my life wondering
the place which had been so dear to
me but not so dear as my aunt and
uncle. I decided to give all my life
and strength to the saving of the
farm. I would still try to be great
but not as great as the Senator.

One day in December of that year
I had my first trial in the full responsi-
bility of my man's work. I was allowed
to load and harness and pitch up and
go to the mill without assistance. My
uncle and Purvis, our hired man, were
busy with the chopping and we were
out of flour and meal. It took a lot
of them to keep the sizes going. So
I filled two sacks with corn and two
more when I'd pitched them into the
mill again, for the ground was bare
and I hitched up my horses and set out
before the grain was ground the earth
and the sky above were white with
snow driving down in a cold, still
wind out of the northwest. I loaded
my sledge and covered them with a
blanket and hurried away. The snow
came so fast that it almost blinded
me. There were times when I could
scarcely see the road or the horses.
The wind came colder and soon it
was hard work to hold the reins and
keep my hands from freezing.

Suddenly the wheels began jumping
over rocks. The horses were in the
ditch. I knew what was the matter;
for my eyes had been filling with snow
and I had had to brush them often. Of
course the team had suffered in a like
manner. Before I could stop I heard
the crack of a sledge and a front wheel
dropped to its hub. I checked the
horses and jumped out and went to
their heads and cleared their eyes. The
snow was up to my knees then.

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leading druggists everywhere and
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I followed them into "bed shed."

"Twenty of 'em things," my uncle ex-
claimed. "He's worked like a miler,
isn't he?"

There were tears in his eyes when
he took my hand in his rough palm
and squeezed it and said:

"Sometimes I wish ye was little
again so I could take ye up in my
arms and kiss ye just as I used to. Forsee
Dunshelers says that you're
best-lookin' in the 'eez."

I repeated the rules I had learned
as we sat at the table.

"I'm goin' to be like Silas Wright if
I can," I added.

"That's the idea!" said Uncle Pea-
body. "You keep on as you've start-

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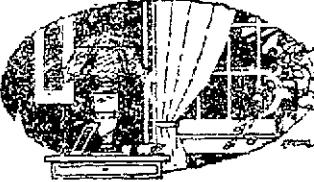
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ITEMS OF INTEREST AT PECHIN AS TOLD BY THE COURIER MAN

Funeral of Elias Lehman is largely
attended; influenza situ-
ation improved.

PECHIN, Dec. 14.—The funeral of
the late Elias Lehman of Keffers,
which took place Wednesday after-
noon from his late home, was well at-
tended in spite of its being private.
So largely known and highly esteemed
was he that men left their employ-
ment to pay their last tribute to a
fellow worker. The United Fire Brick
company, for many years his employ-
er, sent a floral emblem and the em-
ployees another. Rev. D. E. Miner
conducted the services.

Mrs. Margaret Russell of North Union-
township was calling on friends at
Pechin and Keffers, Wednesday. She
states that her husband, James Rus-
sell, who has been seriously ill for the
past six weeks, is much better.

Richard Keffer, the Courier boy for
this locality, is suffering from a frac-
tured ankle injured last Saturday
while playing football in the home
orchard. He was not able to attend
school this week. His elder brother,
Ben, is keeping up his route for
him until he recovers.

Mrs. J. A. Lehman and daughter,
Frances, are yet confined to their room
with the flu. The other members of
the family are able to be about the
house. Two of the family of E. G.
Lehman are still ill with the influenza.

The electric machinery operating

the fan at Nine No. 2 of the American
Margarine Manufacturing company
burned out Wednesday necessitating
the temporary suspension of the work.

Mr. Le. J. Hill, district super-
intendent of the McKeesport district
of the Pittsburgh M. E. conference, was
at Duquesne Wednesday evening holding
the first quarterly meeting of the pres-
ent conference year.

Miss Elizabeth Rupp of the Dunbar
township high school was at Keffers

station Tuesday looking up the pupils
who have been suffering from the flu
and ascertaining when they will be
able to return to school.

Surprises are still in vogue in this

section. The latest was the quiet

wedding Monday of Miss Alverda Jeffries,

eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Thomas Jeffries, Jr., of Keffers station,

to Walter Linwood Dolan of Dun-
bar township. While it was known

that the two were "keeping company"

the wedding was not publicly an-
nounced until the license was pro-
cured. Squire J. R. Polk went per-
sonally to Uniontown for the license

so that the sun might not go down until

the couple were made one. After a
few days' wedding trip they will likely

settle in Durbin No. 4.

Smith Wortman, the death of whose

wife of influenza left him heartbroken

and desolate, has closed up his house

temporarily and gone to visit his son,

Adam Wortman, at East Millboro. He

himself has just gotten over the flu

and needs to recuperate his strength

before trying work again.

Flu conditions are constantly im-
proving but they are bad enough yet.

Spears hill, which had before escaped

is now the chief locality of attack.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frost are

ill. And many other cases are reported.

The attacks are not so severe as dur-
ing the early stages of the plague.

Misses Anna and Mary Madar of

Pechin have returned from visiting

relatives at Buddock.

The signal light of the West Penn

Locomotive Company is located near the P. R. R.

station, opposite the Woolworth

store, and the light is now

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VICTORY'S DEBT

BY EDGAR A. GUEST,
OF THE DETROIT FREE PRESS
(Written for Patriotic Fund News.)

*Peace reigns upon the earth once more,
The tyrant passes to his fall.
But unto us from Europe's shore
The living and the dead still call;
They that have met the bitter test
Still they need us in their hours of rest.*

*They need the letters we can pen,
They need the money we can give,
We must continue now, as then,
For them to pray and work and live;
Now doubly bound are we to share
Our joys with those who suffered there.*

*They have been faithful to their trust,
Ours is the goal they went to gain.
Before the tyrant's might and lust
Our heroes fell, but not in vain.
Their Strife o'er, the war is won,
But shall we leave our task undone?*

*The golden stream of love must flow
Unceasingly to those afar,
Our gifts of mercy still must go
To gladden them, where'er they are.
Victorious we are, and yet
We're still to settle victory's debt.*

**The War Chest Represents
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Full Measure of
Gratitude?**

Does It?

H A V E Y O U " S T I L L T O S E T T L E

VICTORY'S DEBT?"

S e t t l e T o d a y !

FARMERS NOT MANY AMONG TEACHERS OF BULLSKIN TOWNSHIP

Nineteen of 23 Are Girls Says Answer to Citizens' Committee.

DEFEND THEIR ATTITUDE

Misrepresentation in Facts Set Forth in Statement Condemning the Pedagogues, is Assertion in the Reply; Ready to Fight, is the Declaration.

The following communication in reply to a statement purporting to have come from a committee of citizens and members of the school board of Bullskin township was given to The Courier, it dealing with the viewpoint of teachers in the controversy as to whether or not the teachers shall be paid for the time they have been idle because of the influenza epidemic:

"The teachers of Bullskin township feel that, for the sake of the truth and in justice to themselves, the article appearing in The Courier of December 11, as 'Pay for Teachers of Bullskin Township,' and which claims to come from a 'committee of citizens including members of the school board,' should be answered, and in doing so we trust that we will not be compelled again to ask for the privilege of space in the newspapers in order to defend ourselves and the schools from malicious misrepresentation. We do not want to think that the article referred to is a correct representation of the intelligence and common sense of the good people of that township, many of whom have called the teachers up and expressed their indignation over the article and who have also said that a public apology should be demanded of the author or authoress of the misrepresentations.

"There are 23 teachers in the township, 20 of whom have signed one of the papers which set forth our demands. The directors have one paper containing 15 names and which demands 'full pay or release.' The board took no action on that paper. Does this look as though 'only a few beginners and agitators' had signed it? Of the 23 teachers only seven are beginners. We wonder how many townships can show such a high percentage of experienced teachers.

"Now this ridiculous statement: 'The teachers of Bullskin township, or the majority of them, employed at other work, have made more money than they would have made in the school rooms. Some are hauling coal and earning from \$6 to \$10 a day. Some have been engaged in hauling timber to town, making as high as \$20 a day. Others have been enabled to get their fall work done, corn husked, plowing for next year completed, saving more than they could have made in the school room. The suspension has been an advantage to the farmer teachers of Bullskin township, etc.' What do you know about that? 'Farmer school teachers?' Why 19 of the 23 teachers are girls, one of the four men is a minister, one is a cripple and has to use crutches. The other two millionaires should be required to keep the rest of us for the balance of the term, but the facts are that one of these two hauled coal three days, and the other one hauled possibly two loads of timber. Some of the girls had plans for other work last summer but when the S. O. S. call was sent out by school authorities everywhere, these girls felt that they would be doing the patriotic thing by serving the schools, and now for this committee of citizens and taxpayers, including members of the board, to publicly slander them is an offense that should be rebuked by every fair minded citizen of the county. It is time that people who stand for progressive ideals in education, and we believe there are many such, to demand the recall of officials who are negligent in their duty. Two of these directors voted against opening the schools on the 20th. Is there no law to require these men to keep the schools of the district open? And yet they are in favor of keeping them closed. Then what business has the board of directors to threaten the directors with surcharges? They are certainly exceeding their duties in order to get the debt of the township paid off at the expense of the teachers' salaries.

"Now it is a fact that the majority, if not all, of the leading townships of Fayette and Westmoreland counties are paying teachers' salaries in full. Some are paying half but not many. As long as Bullskin put itself in the class of backward townships like one or two mountainous districts in Fayette,

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etc. it will continue to receive the censure of public spirited folks everywhere.

"Now, as to the agreement between the directors and teachers: It does not say that 'in case the schools buildings burn, or the schools are closed because of contagious diseases the teachers are not to be paid.' It does say that the teacher 'will give her whole time to the work of teaching said school, and work incidentally thereto, to the exclusion of any busines whatever during the continuance of this agreement.' The teachers have complied in good faith and have been ready for weeks to go to work. We were willing and ready to meet the directors in an amicable settlement of the controversy but have been turned down time and again. Hence, believing in the justice of our cause, we make our appeal to the courts."

THE DISCOVERY OF TEN-HERBS CAUSED GREAT SENSATION

The "Ten-Herbs Expert" Claims Great Curative Powers for His Medicine.

In a recent interview with the Ten-Herbs Expert, who is introducing and explaining the merits of Ten-Herbs, he said: "Few announcements in many years have caused such widespread interest in medical and scientific circles and among the public in general, as that recently made regarding the discovery of Ten-Herbs, the new herbal medicine, and its relation to the blood of the human system.

"The wonderful power of Ten-Herbs to rebuild the natural strength, health and vigor of the blood and mind is now attributed by the public to its blood building powers, for Ten-Herbs, I claim, regenerates the human blood, for it has been demonstrated beyond the possibility of a doubt, as vouched for by Pittsburg people in signed testimonials, that Ten-Herbs supplies nature with the elements which are so absolutely essential to the formation of new blood, by causing the stomach to perform its functions properly.

"The discovery of Ten-Herbs has revived popular interest in the old question, 'What is the life of the body?' Scientists have always claimed that the blood is the life, that it is the immediate source of all nourishment and strength for every nerve, muscle and organ. They point to the fact that when the body is robbed of blood, as by hemorrhage, it dies; that when the blood is in poor quality the organs are weak, and now I claim that Ten-Herbs, which is known to regenerate the blood, also rebuilds the strength and vigor of the entire system.

"To the general public the discovery of Ten-Herbs has a practical interest of far-reaching importance; for it is known that the world is literally full of people whose blood is below the standard of vigorous health and whose strength and vital resistance to disease are therefore sub-normal. Almost every household is, it is said, contains one or more persons of sub-normal vitality, not necessarily invalids, but weak, run-down, nervous and generally debilitated, who are prone to diseases of every kind. To these Ten-Herbs will come like a 'ray of hope' and prove of inestimable value in rebuilding the natural strength and health, and regenerating the blood."

Ten-Herbs is sold in Connellsville at the Connellsville Drug Co.'s Store. **Ohiopyle.**

OHIOPYLE. Dec. 14—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Glofferty and son of Connellsville arrived here yesterday to visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Glofferty on Garrett street.

Funeral services of George Schaefer

were held at his home at Bell Grove Friday, and interment was made in the Chalk Hill cemetery.

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